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## Mr. Helms

In response to a directive from the President, Kermit Gordon, Director, Bureau of the Budget, has requested Heads of Departments and Agencies to submit a progress report outlining present and planned beautification projects for our buildings and grounds this spring. A proposed response is attached.

Your signature is requested.

Signed

L. K. White

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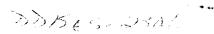
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The Honorable Kermit Gordon Director, Bureau of the Budget Executive Office of the President Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Gordon:

We have communicated to persons in charge of our buildings the intent and spirit of the President's instruction that action be taken this spring to improve the general appearance of our buildings and grounds.

As you know, we are fortunate in having our Headquarters Building located on a very attractive rural site. The General Services Administration, under whose management our Headquarters Building operates, has made provision in its budget for the continued maintenance and beautification of our grounds. In addition, we have requested and have had approved by the General Services Administration the respectification of the grounds surrounding our buildings at 2430 E Street, N. W. and some additional work will be undertaken as soon as the road network and approaches to the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge have been completed.

Temporary buildings that we presently occupy in the Potomac Pari. area are expected to be vacated and made available for demolition during calendar year 1966, thereby permitting further beautification and development in this most attractive Federal park area.

Please be assured that the Central Intelligence Agency will continue its wholehearted support of the President's objective to beautify Federal buildings and grounds.

Sincerely,

/5/ Richard Helms Decaty Director

Ltr to Hon. Kermit Gordon, Director, B	Sureau of the Budget
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OFFICE OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

The Honorable Kermit Gordon Director, Bureau of the Budget Executive Office of the President Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Gordon's

This letter is in response to your memorandum of 6 May 1965 regarding the Beautification of Government Buildings.

We have communicated the President's instruction to the persons in charge of our buildings to take positive steps to maintain the beauty of our grounds.

We are fortunate in having our Headquarters Building located on a very attractive rural site. General Services Administration, under whose management our Headquarters Building operates, has made provision in their budget for the continued maintenance of our grounds. Their efforts have been rewarded as our grounds are presently a picture of beauty in their spring dress.

We have requested and have had approved by GSA the rebeautification of the grounds surrounding our downtown facility at 2430 E Street, N. W. The center of this picture is a quadrangle in the form of a small grassy park area in which are growing several weeping Japanese cherry trees. Additional beautification of this area will be undertaken upon completion of the road network and approaches to the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge.

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Mon. Kermit Gordon, Director, Bureau of the Budget

Temporary buildings that we presently occupy in the Potomac Park area are expected to be vacated during calendar year 1966 and be made available for demolition. This will permit further beautification development in this most attractive Federal park area.

The Central Intelligence Agency will wholeheartedly continue its endorsed support of the President's objective to beautify Federal Buildings 1148 Species

Sincerely,

Richard Helms
Deputy Director

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Although the requirements of the attached memorandum may overlap, to some degree, the report which you recently prepared for The White House, Colonel White requests that you prepare a response to this memo and submit to this office not later than 19 May.

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# EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT BUREAU OF THE BUDGET Washington, D. C. 20503

May 6, 1965

MEMORANDUM TO THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Subject: Beautification of Government Buildings

The President has directed me to reiterate his desire that all Federal buildings be beautified through the planting of trees, shrubs, and flowers.

If you have not yet communicated the President's instruction to the persons in charge of each Government building under your jurisdiction, you should do so immediately.

It is the President's wish that improvements be made this Spring.

The President's objective is to make Federal buildings attractive and appealing so that they may enhance the beauty of the communities in which they are situated.

To the extent that Federal funds are available to agencies to carry out beautification projects, they should be used. Where Government funds are inadequate, local civic groups may be willing to assist on behalf of the communities. Advice should be sought from expert authorities in designing and planting trees and gardens. The National Park Service, state and local park and forestry departments, and community garden clubs are among the organizations that should be called upon.

The General Services Administration will be responsible for beautifying buildings under its jurisdiction. Departments and agencies with buildings not under GSA will nevertheless coordinate plans with GSA representatives at the community level in the interests of an orderly program.

The President assigns priority to this project. Progress should be reported through me to the President by June 1.

Kermit Gordon

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